

VETERAN BUSINESS MAN PASSES AWAY

Death of James W. Ratcliffe
Pioneer Auctioneer.

POPULAR IN WASHINGTON

Official at Disposal of Many Celebrated Collections and Famous Estates.

James W. Ratcliffe, one of the pioneer auctioneers of Washington, died at 10:25 o'clock last night from paralysis at his home, 1077 New Hampshire avenue northwest.

He was born in Baltimore, May 25, 1832, and came to this city when eighteen years of age. He served his apprenticeship as an auctioneer with Thomas Downing, who at that time conducted a large establishment in Georgetown. His remarkable ability as acrier soon became known throughout the city, and he was offered a position with Duncan & Bros., who at that time owned the largest auction rooms in Washington at the corner of Ninth and D streets northwest.

Went Into Business.
For twenty years Mr. Ratcliffe was in the employ of this firm. In 1889 he formed a partnership with Charles W. Darr, who was also employed with Duncan & Bros. at that time, under the firm name of Ratcliffe, Darr & Co. The business prospered, but in 1895 Mr. Darr withdrew from the firm to take up the practice of law. After that the business was conducted by Mr. Ratcliffe alone, and up to a few months before his death he conducted the more important sales himself.

During his career as an auctioneer he has presided at many of the largest and most important sales of personal and real property in the District. He sold the famous Whitneys' collection of fine art treasures, furniture, and oil paintings in the Masonic Temple in 1886. At the expiration of President Cleveland's second term, he sold the president's horses and carriages, and much of personal property, which he wished to dispose of before leaving Washington.

Sold Travis Estate.
Among the large and important sales of real estate which he conducted, the one of most value was the sale of the Travis estate, which included much of the most valuable property along the business section of Pennsylvania avenue. The northeast corner of Thirteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue, as well as many other sites, which are now occupied by large commercial houses, were included in this estate.

For several weeks prior to his death he served as auctioneer to the United States Marshal, and conducted many large sales for both the Federal and District governments. He sold for the United States the buildings which stood on the present site of the Congressional Library, and also those which occupied the block on Pennsylvania avenue, which is now covered by the Post-office Department. The buildings which occupied the block on Pennsylvania avenue and station plaza also went down under his hammer.

James W. Ratcliffe was considered an expert in the appraisal of real and personal property, and his advice and opinion was eagerly sought by financiers, real estate men, lawyers, and others.

Four children survive him, two sons, Charles D. and James W. Jr., and two daughters, Nannie L. and Helen L. His wife died about ten years ago.

Funeral Arrangements.
The funeral will take place from the residence at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The Rev. George Bailey, of the Western Presbyterian Church, of which the deceased had been a trustee for a number of years, will conduct the services. Interment will be in Rock Creek Cemetery.

The pallbearers will be Charles W. Darr and William King, who were associated with Mr. Ratcliffe in business for more than twenty years, and P. F. Cusack, John T. Crook, James E. Lambie, and Adam A. Weschler, who has been manager of the business for fifteen years.

In 1871, Mr. Ratcliffe conducted the first dead-letter sale that had been held for a number of years. There was such an accumulation of matter that more than three weeks of almost constant crying was necessary to dispose of the letters.

EXONERATES MAN WHO FIRED BULLET
Physicians at the Emergency Hospital stated today that William Hawkins, the colored waiter from the Maryland Agricultural College, who was shot in the abdomen by Lynn Briscoe on Saturday night, had an even chance for recovery. The man is in a serious condition and no effort has yet been made to extract the ball which is to be lodged in the walls of the stomach.

Hawkins, who is twenty-three years old and lives at Dealeville, Md., says the shooting was accidental. Briscoe, who was arrested immediately after the shooting and lodged in the Hyattsville jail, tells the same story.

CARNEGIE PAYS TRIBUTE TO MEMORY OF MOTHER
NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Andrew Carnegie, in thanking the board of trustees of the Carnegie School of Technology for naming the women's department of the institute after his mother, pays this glowing tribute to the lady:

"She became the sage of the neighborhood, and was continually in demand in times of trouble by her neighbors, ever delighted with the action of the trustees. Please say to one and all that I am deeply touched by this remembrance of one to whom I owe everything that a wise man ever gave to a son who adored her."

SICK HEADACHE
Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Heartily Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

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CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.
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Representative Morrell Charges Monopoly In Extension of Highways

All New Streets Given to Northwest Section.

WOULD CHANGE SYSTEM

Bill Provides That Government Shall Be Party to All Costs.

Declaring that the present system of street extensions in the District of Columbia is "unequal and incongruous," and asserting that street improvements are made in the District only for the benefit of a portion of the northwest part of the city and its suburbs, Representative Morrell of Pennsylvania, a member of the House District Committee, created a sensation in the House today by his denunciation of the methods employed in extending streets.

Mr. Morrell rose to speak in favor of his bill creating a uniform system of extending streets in the District. Referring to the special acts passed by Congress providing for special and individual extensions of streets, he said with emphasis:

Shot at Speculators.
"All of these special acts apply to one particular part of the city, and ignore all other parts. They all, up to the present, have applied to that region lying between Tenleytown road and the Soldiers' Home, north of Rock creek, or in the neighborhood of the National Park. It is needless to say, that this region is the one in which the speculative interests have predominated since 1889."

"One great difficulty in the opening of new streets under the Washington system is the modus operandi of the initial proceedings. Too much has been left in the initiative to interested parties, and the little to the owners of the real estate of the District to be improved. There is a system very much in favor among American cities very much like the provision set out in the code. That provision is the one which authorizes the creation of separate street improvement districts. These districts are to be found throughout the American Union, and have contributed no little to the solution of the vexed question of street opening and the original or first cost of street improvement."

Districts for Improvement.
"The citizens of the District of Columbia—and by this I mean those whose residence is here and not elsewhere—are deprived of the right of suffrage; to give them the right to form special improvement districts, either in the old city or in the outlying suburbs, would, in my opinion, not only add to their privileges as citizens, but would contribute largely to the improvement of the streets of the District."

"The provision of the code limits the street improvement based upon the peti-



REPRESENTATIVE EDWARD MORRELL, Of Pennsylvania, Who Has Introduced Bill for New System of Extending Streets in District.

tion of more than half the owners of real estate to a square or block and to minor streets. It should be enlarged to permit a majority of the real estate owners along any street or system of streets so to petition and to form a special improvement district, whose entire expense shall be cast upon the property of that district and assessed at not more than 2 per cent per annum upon the full value of the property.

Too Many Systems.
"The fault of the Washington system is that there are too many ways of reaching an end under the law, and the most vicious of these is the one which permits the opening and improvement of streets by special acts of Congress."

"Why should one set of men put up collateral in order to obtain the opening of a street and not another? Why on some streets should 100 per cent of all the damages be assessed against the benefits, and only 50 per cent or less on others? Why should men on one extension of Kalorama avenue be required to pay all of the damages and men on another extension of the same avenue 50 per cent or less. Why M street and Rittenhouse

in the other eleven acts, require no dedication two-thirds of the land and pay 10 per cent on deferred assessments, while each of the other eleven streets named in the other eleven acts, require no dedication and charge a less per cent? Why should Sixteenth street be improved at the expense of the public, and other streets at the expense of the beneficiaries? Why should one section of the city of Washington receive all the benefits of this special street improvement at the expense of all the other sections? The Morrell bill provides that the United States shall pay one-third of all damages for property taken for streets exceeding sixty feet in width, and small be made a party to, and be represented by its attorney for this District in all condemnation proceedings relating to such streets."

It secures to any party aggrieved by the final order of the Supreme Court of the District in any such proceedings the right of appeal to the Court of Appeals of the District.

As to minor streets, alleys and country roads, the bill provides that in width, it adopts the provisions of the District code as amended by the act of March 3, 1901, which do not require the United States to pay anything, the matter being considered purely local.

RED ALEC McLEAN MAY HAVE PERISHED IN WRECK

Hero of London's Novel "Sea Wolf" Believed to Have Gone Down Near Valencia's Ruins.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 29.—The schooner Ella G., with "Red Alec" McLean, the hero of Jack London's "Sea Wolf," aboard, is lost and another vessel, a large bark, is probably a wreck off the entrance of Barclay Sound, near where the Valencia went to pieces.

A dispatch from Bamfield cable station reported the Ella G., of this city, bottom up off the entrance to the sound, having apparently turned turtle in the gale of Monday and Tuesday last, all hands being lost.

The Ella G. left here on a fishing cruise Monday morning, her objective point being Uclulet at the northern extremity of Barclay Sound.

She was in command of Capt. John Forrest, with whom was the celebrated "Red Alec" McLean, recently in command of the sealer Carmencita, which gained international notoriety a few months ago.

McLean, whose loss is generally credited by his relatives here, was a native of Nova Scotia, although he later had become one of the best-known sailors of the Western coast.

He has been chiefly engaged in the fishing and sealing industry on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

REPRIEVE FROM SCAFFOLD FOR NEW JERSEY WOMAN

Chief Justice Fuller, in the Supreme Court of the United States, announced today that in the case of Anna Valentine, the New Jersey woman sentenced to death for murder, the motion of Attorney General McCarter, of New Jersey, had been granted, and the appeal advanced for argument on February 13.

FOUL BREATH CATARRH, HEADACHE

Are banished by Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder—It relieves in 10 minutes.

F. A. Bottom, druggist, Cockburn, Que., says: "For 25 years I suffered from Catarrh. My breath was very offensive, even to myself. I tried everything which promised me a cure. In almost all instances I had to proclaim them no good at all. I was induced to try Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. I got relief instant; after first application. It cured me and I am free from all the effects of it."

Dr. Agnew's Ointment relieves Eczema in one day, 35c. Sold by Modern Drug Co., No. 414 7th st. n.w. Jax. O'Donnell, 34 F. st. n.w. and 31 st. and Pennsylvania ave. se.

The Underwood Typewriter

A Friend That Wears Well
Some of the very first machines that were built at our factory are still running and are in first-class condition.

Underwood Typewriter Co.
1206 "F" Street Northwest

Efforts on the part of Morgue-master Schoenberger and the police to establish the identity of the colored man who was decapitated while crossing the Pennsylvania avenue bridge over the eastern branch on Saturday night or early yesterday morning, proved futile today. The body is held at the morgue.

The man's head was found jammed between the outer side and guard rails of the north-bound tracks on the bridge by Bridge Tender R. A. Adison yesterday morning about 8 o'clock. About thirty feet from the spot where the head was discovered, the bridge tender saw the body of the colored man stuck in the mud of the Eastern branch. The body was hauled up and sent to the morgue.

It is believed the man was crossing the bridge, coming to Washington, when caught in a death trap by train. The police think the colored man tried to let himself down between two of the ties while the train passed over the bridge, and he was killed by the wheels of the engine and severed from his shoulders.

Begin Young.
The habit of saving is valuable, the sooner you acquire it the better for you. The proper way to save money is to start a

Bank Account
with a thoroughly reputable Bank. At this bank you will find every modern facility to add to your comfort and to insure the absolute safety of your money.

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Washington's Painless Dentist
Phone Main 486. Lady Attendant.

Representatives of the clubs present were eager for action in their advocacy that the Halls of the Ancients in their scheme for educational illustration shall be restored, replacing the material in hand, worth \$40,000 or \$50,000, left from the outlay of Mr. Smith and S. W. Woodward.

GOING TO THE ORIENT TO STUDY PHILOSOPHY
NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 29.—Prof. George F. Ladd left for Cleveland today. He goes to take a place in Adelbert College, of which he is a graduate.

Prof. Ladd has been connected with the philosophical department of Yale. It is the purpose of Prof. Ladd to spend next year in Japan, where he will deliver a course of lectures and make a close study of Oriental philosophy.

This Will Interest Many.
F. W. Parkhurst, the Boston publisher, says that if any one afflicted with rheumatism in any form, or neuralgia, will send their address to him at 29-319 Carey bldg., Boston, Mass., he will direct them to a perfect cure. He has nothing to sell or offer; only tells you how he was cured after years of search for relief. Hundreds have tested it with success.

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Art-Loom Tapestries
We carry a fine assortment of Portieres and Couch Covers of the famous Art Loom Tapestries. The color effects are rich and the prices remarkably small.

When In Doubt Buy of
House & Herrmann
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Women's Shoes, half and regular heels; sold at \$1.25 and \$1.50. RUMMAGE SALE 85c.

Infants' leather sole Shoes, feather edge; sizes 0 to 4; also spring-heeled shoes, sizes 0 to 12. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE 25c.

Boys' heavy Oil-calf and Box-grain Shoes; sold regularly at \$1.25 a pair; sizes 10 to 12. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE 75c.

Broken lines of our regular stock of Boys' Slippers, which sold at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 a pair. Tomorrow at 49c.

Misses' hand-sewed Shoes, of kid and patent kid; sizes 1 1/2 to 4; regular \$2.00 a pair. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE \$1.29.

Boys' and Girls' Tan Shoes, high and low cut; sold regularly at \$2.00 a pair. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE \$1.25.

Broken lots of our regular stock of Women's and Misses' Rubbers, including Canvas and Rubber. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE, pair 19c.

Goldenberg's
"The Dependable Store"
Seventh and K Streets
Rummage Sale

Just as the housewife goes rummaging through her household for odds and ends and things she has no use for, so we go through each department twice a year looking for remainders of lines, which are forced out at prices that bear no relation to value or cost. It's the season's greatest buying opportunity—so recognized and appreciated by shrewd buyers, who have learned that extraordinary savings can be made on wanted merchandise that meets every demand of the present and future. In most instances quantities are limited—hence there's necessity for prompt response.

45 dozen 72x90 Bleached Sheets, good, durable, close-woven quality. Full pieces, not remnants. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE 33c.

20 dozen Pillow Cases, sizes 40x42 and 45x45; made of good cotton; 100 per cent. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE 7 1/2c.

2 cases of large-size double-bed White Crochet Spreads, in regular Marseilles patterns. Regular \$1.19 value. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE 79c.

50 pieces of 45-inch Pillow Case Cotton, regular width. Full pieces—not remnants; 12 1/2c and 15c values. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE 84c.

Yard-wide Cambric, soft-finished quality for underwear. Sold regularly at 10c yd. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE, yd. 7 1/2c.

Yard-wide Cotton, full bleached, good, durable, close-woven quality. Full pieces, not remnants. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE, yd. 44c.

Extra heavy quality Unbleached Cotton, in lengths from 5 to 15 yards. Regular 15c grade. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE 6 1/2c.

15 pieces of 10-quarter Bleached Sheetings, full width, for double beds; quality sold regularly at 22c a yd. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE 22 1/2c.

50 dozen 42x72 Bleached Bolster Cases, regular size; made of good quality cotton. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE 23c.

51x90 Unbleached Sheets, full size, for double beds; finished with deep hem. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE 44c.

One of the results of our rummaging is this lot of regular 12 1/2c Chambray, which will close out tomorrow at 5c a yard.

About 2,000 yards in the lot—not enough to go around among those women who know what splendid material it is for waists and children's wear.

In plain colors of green, brown, tan, gray, and blue. (Domestic Dept.—First Floor.)

Extra heavy Outing Cloth; in stripes and checks. Regular 12c and 15c quality. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE, yd. 7 1/2c.

"Mill Ends" of Red Seal Dress Gingham, in the newest spring styles, including tan, and gray stripes and checks. Regular price, 12 1/2c a yard. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE, yard 84c.

Lot of 15-inch Stair Oilcloth, in green, blue, gray, and tan. Good quality. RUMMAGE SALE PRICE, yard 5c.

Small lot of Children's High Poke Bonnets, in white and cream, with Velveteen, Bearskin, and Silk. Sold as high as \$1.95, for 98c.

Children's White Muslin Night Gowns, with yoke of inserting and tucks; sizes 2 to 12 years. Reduced from 15c to 29c.

Muslin Wear
Lot of about 6 dozen low-neck Muslin Corsets, blouse front, with cambric hemstitched ruffles; small sizes only. 5c.

Low and high-neck Cambric Corset Covers, tight fitting, French seams, finished ready to wear. 84c.

Short Flannelette Petticoats, with deep ruffles, scalloped edges, and yoke bands; 25 and 31 inches long; 25c value. 18c.

All-wool Sweaters, high and V neck, with full sleeves; broken sizes. Sold up to \$1.95, for 98c.

Black Sateen and African Petticoats, with ruffles and bands; sizes up to 12 years. Reduced from \$1.25 to 12c.

Children's Flannelette Petticoats, with ruffles and bands; sizes up to 12 years. Reduced from \$1.25 to 12c.

Upholstery Goods
Lot of Tapestry Lambrequins; sold up to \$2.95, for 89c.

6 Rattan Rockers; sold \$1.69 at \$4.00; reduced to \$1.98.

5 Go-Carts, with rattan back, rubber-tire wheels. Reduced from \$4.00 to \$2.98.

4 Lace Bed Sets, with Renaissance Motif; 18-inch tucks. Reduced from \$5.00 to \$2.69.

5 Go-Carts, with reclining back and foot rest. Reduced from \$2.00 to \$1.69.

7 pairs of Tapestry Portieres; sold for \$3.00 and \$1.69 \$3.50 pair.

Lot of heavy quality Silk Pillow Cases, with heavy tassels on ends. Reduced from 50c to 15c.

3 large Burlap Screens, three fold; sold for \$1.95. Reduced to \$1.98.

Lot of Framed Pictures; sold up to 38c. Tomorrow 39c.

7 Tapestry Table Covers, 98c each. Reduced from \$2 to 74c.

Lot of Mosaic finish Cretonnes; sold at 12 1/2c yd. 74c.

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